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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

International Trade Administration

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Certain Uncoated Paper from Portugal: Preliminary Results of Administrative Review; 2021-2022

AGENCY: Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce.

SUMMARY: The U.S. Department of Commerce (Commerce) is conducting an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on certain uncoated paper (uncoated paper) from Portugal with respect to one exporter/producer of subject merchandise. The period of review (POR) is March 1, 2021, through February 28, 2022. Commerce preliminarily finds that sales of uncoated paper from Portugal were made at less than normal value during the POR. We invite interested parties to comment on these preliminary results.

DATES: Applicable [Insert date of publication in the Federal Register].

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Eric Hawkins, AD/CVD Operations, Office V, Enforcement and Compliance, International Trade Administration, U.S. Department of Commerce, 1401 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20230; telephone: (202) 482-1988.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Background

On May 13, 2022, Commerce initiated an administrative review of the antidumping duty order on uncoated paper from Portugal,¹ in accordance with section 751(a) of the Tariff Act of 1930, as amended (the Act).² This review covers one producer/exporter of subject merchandise,

¹ See Certain Uncoated Paper from Australia, Brazil, Indonesia, the People's Republic of China, and Portugal: Amended Final Affirmative Antidumping Determinations for Brazil and Indonesia and Antidumping Duty Orders, 81 FR 11174 (March 3, 2016) (Order).

² See Initiation of Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Administrative Reviews, 87 FR 29280 (May 13, 2022).

The Navigator Company, S.A. (Navigator).

On November 3, 2022, Commerce extended the deadline for the preliminary results until March 31, 2023.³ For a complete description of the events that followed the initiation of this review, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.⁴

Scope of the *Order*

The merchandise subject to the *Order* is certain uncoated paper from Portugal. For a complete description of the scope, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum.

Methodology

Commerce is conducting this review in accordance with section 751(a) of the Act. We calculated constructed export price in accordance with section 772 of the Act. We calculated normal value in accordance with section 773 of the Act.

For a full description of the methodology underlying these preliminary results, *see* the Preliminary Decision Memorandum. A list of topics included in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is included as an appendix to this notice. The Preliminary Decision Memorandum is a public document and is on file electronically via Enforcement and Compliance's Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Centralized Electronic Service System (ACCESS). ACCESS is available to registered users at https://access.trade.gov. In addition, a complete version of the Preliminary Decision Memorandum is available at https://access.trade.gov/public/FRNoticesListLayout.aspx.

Preliminary Results of Review

We preliminarily determine that the following weighted-average dumping margin exists for the period March 1, 2021, through February 28, 2022:

Exporter/Producer	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
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³ See Memorandum, "Certain Uncoated Paper from Portugal: Extension of Deadline for Preliminary Results of Antidumping Duty Administrative Review, 2021-2022," dated November 3, 2022.

⁴ See Memorandum, "Decision Memorandum for the Preliminary Results of the Administrative Review of the Antidumping Duty Order on Certain Uncoated Paper from Portugal; 2021-2022," dated concurrently with, and hereby adopted by, this notice (Preliminary Decision Memorandum).

Exporter/Producer	Weighted-Average Dumping Margin (percent)
The Navigator Company, S.A.	8.18

Assessment Rates

Upon completion of the final results of this administrative review, Commerce shall determine, and U.S. Customs and Border Protection (CBP) shall assess, antidumping duties on all appropriate entries. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.212(b)(1), if Navigator's weighted-average dumping margin is not zero or *de minimis* (i.e., less than 0.5 percent) in the final results of this review, we will calculate importer-specific assessment rates based on the ratio of the total amount of dumping calculated for the importer's examined sales to the total entered value of those same sales. If Navigator's weighted-average dumping margin is zero or de minimis, or if an importer-specific assessment rate is zero or de minimis, we will instruct CBP to liquidate the appropriate entries without regard to antidumping duties. The final results of this review shall be the basis for the assessment of antidumping duties on entries of merchandise covered by this review and for future deposits of estimated duties, where applicable.⁵

In accordance with Commerce's "automatic assessment" practice, for entries of subject merchandise during the POR produced by Navigator for which it did not know that the merchandise was destined for the United States, we will instruct CBP to liquidate those entries at the all-others rate established in the original less-than-fair value (LTFV) investigation (i.e., 7.80 percent)⁶ if there is no rate for the intermediate company(ies) involved in the transaction.⁷

Commerce intends to issue assessment instructions to CBP no earlier than 35 days after the date of publication of the final results of this review in the Federal Register. If a timely summons is filed at the U.S. Court of International Trade, the assessment instructions will

⁵ See section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act.

⁶ See Order.

⁷ For a full discussion of this practice, see Antidumping and Countervailing Duty Proceedings: Assessment of Antidumping Duties, 68 FR 23954 (May 6, 2003).

direct CBP not to liquidate relevant entries until the time for parties to file a request for a statutory injunction has expired (*i.e.*, within 90 days of publication).

Cash Deposit Requirements

The following cash deposit requirements will be effective for all shipments of the subject merchandise entered, or withdrawn from warehouse, for consumption on or after the publication date of the finals results of this administrative review, as provided by section 751(a)(2)(C) of the Act: (1) the cash deposit rate for Navigator in the final results of review will be equal to the weighted-average dumping margin established in the final results of this administrative review except if the rate is less than 0.50 percent and, therefore, de minimis within the meaning of 19 CFR 351.106(c)(1), in which case the cash deposit rate will be zero; (2) for merchandise exported by a company not covered in this review but covered in a prior segment of the proceeding, the cash deposit rate will continue to be the company-specific rate published for the most recently-completed segment in which they were reviewed; (3) if the exporter is not a firm covered in this review or the original LTFV investigation, but the producer is, then the cash deposit rate will be the rate established for the most recently-completed segment of this proceeding for the producer of the merchandise; (4) the cash deposit rate for all other producers or exporters will continue to be 7.80 percent, 8 the all-others rate established in the LTFV investigation. These cash deposit requirements, when imposed, shall remain in effect until further notice.

Disclosure and Public Comment

We intend to disclose the calculations performed to parties within five days after public announcement of the preliminary results or, if there is no public announcement, within five days of the date of publication of this notice. Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.309(c), interested parties may submit case briefs no later than 30 days after the date of publication of this notice. Rebuttal

⁹ See 19 CFR 351.224(b).

⁸ See Order.

briefs, limited to issues raised in the case briefs, may be filed not later than seven days after the date for filing case briefs.¹⁰ Parties who submit case or rebuttal briefs in this proceeding are encouraged to submit with each argument: (1) a statement of the issue; (2) a brief summary of the argument; and (3) a table of authorities.¹¹ Case and rebuttal briefs should be filed using ACCESS¹² and must be served on interested parties.¹³ Note that Commerce has temporarily modified certain of its requirements for serving documents containing business proprietary information, until further notice.¹⁴

Pursuant to 19 CFR 351.310(c), interested parties who wish to request a hearing must d submit a written request to the Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance, filed electronically via ACCESS.¹⁵ Requests should contain: (1) the party's name, address, and telephone number; (2) the number of participants; and (3) a list of the issues to be discussed. Issues raised in the hearing will be limited to those raised in the case and rebuttal briefs.¹⁶ If a request for a hearing is made, Commerce intends to hold the hearing at a time and date to be determined. A hearing request must be filed electronically using ACCESS and received in its entirety by 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time within 30 days after publication of this notice.

Final Results of Review

Unless otherwise extended, Commerce intends to issue the final results of this administrative review, including the results of its analysis of the issues raised in any written briefs, not later than 120 days after the date of publication of this notice, pursuant to section 751(a)(3)(A) of the Act and 19 CFR 351.213(h)(1).

Notification to Importers

¹⁰ See 19 CFR 351.309(d); see also Temporary Rule Modifying AD/CVD Service Requirements Due to COVID-19; Extension of Effective Period, 85 FR 41363 (July 10, 2020) (Temporary Rule).

¹¹ See 19 CFR 351.309(c)(2) and (d)(2).

¹² See generally 19 CFR 351.303.

¹³ See 19 CFR 351.303(f).

¹⁴ See Temporary Rule.

¹⁵ See 19 CFR 351.310(c).

¹⁶ See 19 CFR 351.310.

This notice serves as a preliminary reminder to importers of their responsibility under 19 CFR 351.402(f)(2) to file a certificate regarding the reimbursement of antidumping duties prior to liquidation of the relevant entries during this POR. Failure to comply with this requirement could result in Commerce's presumption that reimbursement of antidumping duties occurred and the subsequent assessment of doubled antidumping duties.

Notification to Interested Parties

Commerce is issuing and publishing these results in accordance with sections 751(a)(1) and 777(i)(1) of the Act, and 19 CFR 351.213 and 351.221(b)(4).

Dated: March 30, 2023.

Abdelali Elouaradia, Deputy Assistant Secretary for Enforcement and Compliance.

Appendix

List of Topics Discussed in the Preliminary Decision Memorandum

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